

It is believed that the use of the shaped or bent arms to reduce the necessary area for operating the system is not shown in the art nor is this particularly in combination with a rotary actuator and, more particularly, the double spaced arm system in combination with the double-ended reversible rotary actuator and position sensor. The combination has simplified the construction of the container handling device and extended its usefulness to areas which otherwise would be difficult to serve.

It is still believed that the combination claim distinguishes over the art of record, taken either singularly or in combination and the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter this amendment, reconsider his position and allow the present claims.

Should any issues remain which, in the opinion of the Examiner, could be resolved by telephone interview, he is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at his convenience to discuss and hopefully resolve same.

Respectfully submitted,

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